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CAPTAIN STOFFLE SELECTED AS NEW RESERVE REAR ADMIRAL



On 17 March 1967, a selection board of five rear admirals selected CAPT Merton W. Stoffle for promotion to the rank of Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard Reserve.

Wayne Stoffle is a native of Pleasanton, Kansas. After attending local grade and high schools there, he entered the University of Colorado, School of Engineering, in 1931. He transferred to the College of Architecture, Cornell University, in 1933 and was awarded a Bachelor of Architecture Degree in 1938. After working a year for an architectural firm, he enrolled for graduate study at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was graduated in 1940 with a Masters Degree in Architecture. He then took a position with the Panama Canal Department in the Canal Zone where he was employed in the Architectural Section. He resigned from this position during World War II to enter the military service of the United States.

Rear Admiral Stoffle was commissioned a lieutenant (junior grade) in the United States Coast Guard Reserve in January 1942. His first duty was at Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C., where he was assigned to the office of the Engineer-in-Chief. During this tour of duty he was promoted to the grade of lieutenant (in October 1942). In April 1943 he was assigned to duty afloat aboard the USCGC CAMPBELL, a large Coast Guard Cutter operating on convoy duty in the American-European

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Theatre. In November 1943 he was transferred to Coast Guard Unit 80 in the Pacific Theatre where he served successively as Executive Officer and Commanding Officer. His duties included the supervision of the construction of a number of Loran Stations on isolated islands under enemy attack in the Pacific Ocean. For the speedy and successful completion of these stations, he was awarded the Coast Guard Commendation Medal by the Commandant. It was during this tour of duty that he was promoted to the grade of lieutenant commander.

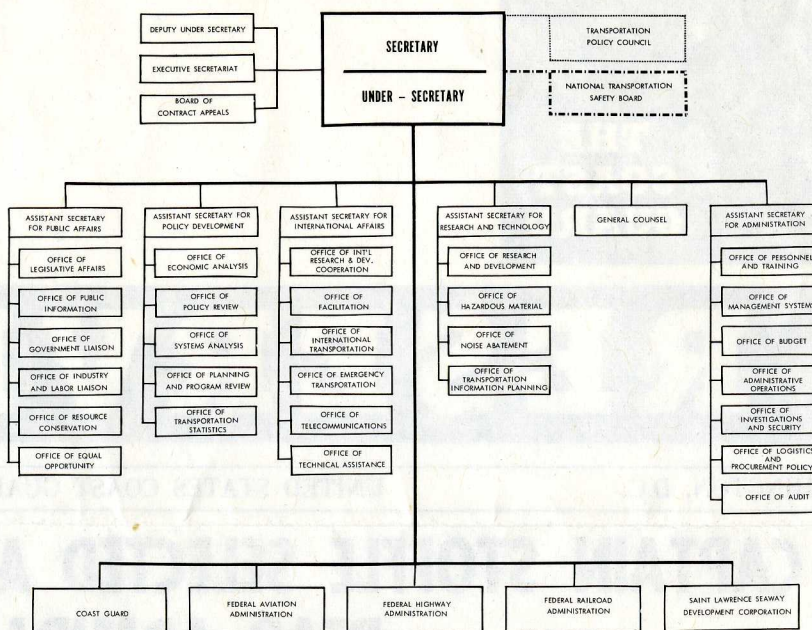
In the fall of 1945, after the war, he was transferred back to Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C., and after a short tour of duty in the Civil Engineering Division, he was released from active duty in January 1946 pursuant to general demobilization.

After his release from active service, he took a position with an architectural firm in Boulder, Colorado. He left this position after one year in order to form his own firm of architects known as Greene and Stoffle in Kingsport, Tennessee. In 1948 he formed a new architectural firm in New Orleans, Louisiana, where he has lived ever since. He is presently the senior partner of Stoffle and Finger, Architects.

Admiral Stoffle has been active in the Coast Guard Reserve Training Program since 1952, when he performed his first tour of annual active duty for training. In April 1953 he was assigned as a member of Volunteer Training Unit 08-88361, New Orleans, Louisiana, and assumed the duties of Executive Officer on 1 July 1953. He was appointed Commanding Officer of the unit on 1 July 1955. Since it is Coast Guard policy to rotate the assignment of commanding officers of Volunteer Training Units, he was relieved of command on 30 June 1956. However, he continued his membership in the unit and is presently so assigned. He has performed active duty for training during twelve of the last fifteen years, and, since 1953, he has earned in excess of 50 points creditable for retirement purposes in each of his anniversary years. During this time of affiliation with the Reserve Training program he was promoted to the grade of commander in 1952, and to the grade of captain in 1961.

Wayne Stoffle has been active in community affairs in New Orleans for many years. He is presently a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce of New Orleans. He has

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



By Executive Order of the President of the United States, the Department of Transportation began full and formal operation on 1 April 1967. The Honorable Alan S. Boyd is the Secretary. The above organization chart illustrates that the four Assistant Secretaries are staff assignments rather than holding command responsibility over the individual agencies. The Commandant of the Coast Guard will report directly to the Secretary of Transportation. The bill establishing the department was signed by the President on 15 October 1966, and under its provisions it establishes the fourth largest department in the Federal Government, coordinating the activities of nearly 100,000 government employees.

also taken an active part in the United Fund of the Greater New Orleans Area and in local Civil Defense activities.

He is married to the former Margaret Bolton of Boulder, Colorado. They have one son and one daughter.



Deadline set for RPA Applications

Applications for designation as a Reserve Program Administrator or prospective RPA should be prepared and submitted in accordance with Article 1-B-3 of the Personnel Manual, CG-207, to reach Commandant (PO) no later than 1 June 1967. Active and inactive duty reserve officers in the grades of lieutenant and lieutenant (j.g.) may refer to the provisions of the Personnel Manual concerning the designation of RPA or prospective RPA. The board to select officers for designation as RPA will convene at Headquarters on approximately 19 June 1967.

ORTUAV GETS AIRCRAFT

On 28 February 1967, one UC45J United States Navy BUNO 51235 was delivered to ORTUAV 01-86417 at Otis AFB, Massachusetts. This is a completely functional aircraft containing all flight, electronic and communication systems. However, as it has completed its aircraft service life, 51235 is restricted from future flight activity and will serve its remaining years as a Coast Guard Reserve static training aid.

The purpose of the UC45J is to provide rated aviation personnel with adequate on-the-job experience in the maintenance of aircraft engines, accessories, air frames, hydraulic, electronic and associated systems. In addition, the aircraft will provide a means for practical training for all aviation oriented ratings and the experience gained will enable ORTUAV personnel to more effectively augment the personnel of Air Stations subsequent to mobilization.

Deputy Secretary Of Defense Cites Reserve Components

Deputy Secretary of Defense Cyrus Vance, in a memorandum to Secretary of the Army Stanley R. Resor, Secretary of the Navy Paul H. Nitze, and Secretary of the Air Force Harold Brown, paid tribute to the reserve components for the vital part played by the Nation's Reserve Forces in our national security.

The memorandum, dated 1 March 1967, reads as follows:

"I have been keenly aware for several years of the vital part played by the Nation's Reserve Forces in our national security. Now that large segments of our active forces are deployed overseas, the Reserve Forces serve a vitally important role in national defense. They shall always be needed as an integral part of our military posture. Despite the fact that we have deployed nearly a half million men of our active forces to Southeast Asia, our capability for meeting treaty commitments and reacting to other contingencies elsewhere in the world has not been diminished. This is primarily because we have retained our Reserve Forces as a ready force in being and have increased their strength and readiness to respond promptly when and where needed.



Left to right, Storekeeper second class O. J. Paxson, of Navarre, Ohio, is being presented a plaque by Electronics Technician first class J. T. McCracken, of Akron, Ohio. Paxson was selected by the men of ORTUAG 09-83603, Akron, Ohio, for his outstanding service to the Unit. The award is presented to the coastguardsman who, in the opinion of the crew, has given the greatest amount of service to the Unit. The idea of this award originated with the crew and O. J. Paxson was selected as its first recipient.

"The size and capability of our Reserve Forces are powerful factors in:

- (1) Reflecting the determination of the United States to remain militarily strong in order to fulfill our political and military commitments;
- (2) Deterring political and military actions by foreign nations which would be inimical to United States' national interests; and
- (3) Providing a credible military foundation for United States' political and diplomatic actions in international affairs toward the attainment of United States' national objectives.

"I continue to note with great pride and satisfaction the increasing role and the important contributions which the Ready Reserve units make in supporting and assisting the active forces.

"The activities of the Ready Reserve units reflect the dedication and selfless devotion to duty of our reservists and clearly demonstrate the capability of those reservists to perform mobilization missions assigned them.

"Please convey to the men of the Ready Reserve my recognition of the job they are so ably doing."

Cyrus Vance
Deputy

UNIMAK RESCUE

The U.S. Coast Guard Cutter UNIMAK, under the command of Commander H. M. Hartlove returned home to Cape May from a twenty-three day cruise which included a busy two-week patrol of the Florida Straits.

Leaving Miami, Florida on Friday, 3rd March, the UNIMAK proceeded to the patrol area. On Tuesday 7 March, the UNIMAK picked up six Cuban refugees in the Yucatan Channel. The Cubans had set forth some days before for America in a rickety boat, the motor of which had failed the first day. They had drifted west and south, with little food and water for three days before their rescue. Their boat sank shortly after they were removed. After transferring these men to Key West, the UNIMAK returned to the patrol area.

On the morning of 10 March, a distress message was heard concerning a Florida fishing vessel with two men aboard, sinking about fifty miles from the UNIMAK. Turning about and proceeding at flank speed, the UNIMAK prepared for visual and elec-

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ADMIRAL'S CORNER

The Commandant approved our request to select an additional Rear Admiral in the Coast Guard Reserve. A selection board of five rear admirals, including RADM Leon G. Telsey, USCGR, met on Friday, 17 March 1967, and selected CAPT Merton W. Stoffle, USCGR, for promotion to the rank of rear admiral.

This is, in our opinion, another step upward for the Reserve since we have had only one rear admiral in the past although the law allows two. The present plan is to ask Rear Admiral Telsey to remain in an active status (although he could retire on 1 May 1967) until another rear admiral in the Reserve is selected to fill his billet (the next Flag Board is tentatively planned for January 1968).

This year the promotion zone extended down to and including Captain Claiborne Pell, USCGR, a zone of approximately 30 senior captains. However, following the precept of the board to select Regular rear admirals, the field was not limited to the zone, but selection below the zone was and is proper. For the Reserve, this means that all officers down to and including Captain Doris V. Springer (SPAR) were considered.

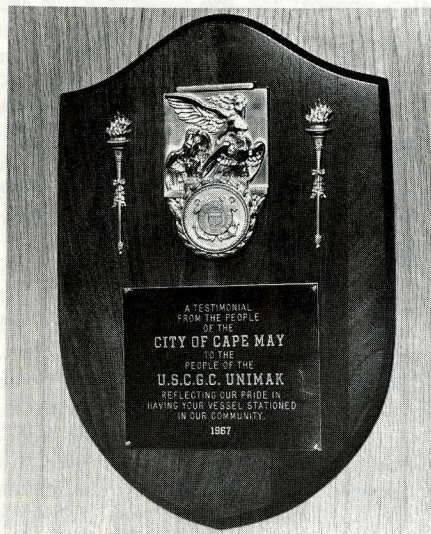
In the past ten months, RADM Telsey has attended many important meetings of the Coast Guard Reserve, the Reserve Officers Association and the Reserve Forces Policy Board. He has been consulted frequently on matters of policy affecting our Service and has become an invaluable member of the Coast Guard team. It is expected that the new rear admiral will also add luster to the present and future of the Coast Guard Reserve and that both of our two-star officers will bring to bear, in even greater measure than before, their experience, intelligence, and common sense.

R.R. WAESCHE



UNIMAK Receives Testimonial Plaque From Cape May

Mayor Frank A. Gauvry of the City of Cape May presented a testimonial plaque to the UNIMAK (WHEC-379) on 28 February 1967. The plaque was given as an expression of friendship on behalf of the City. The presentation was made to Commander Herbert G. Hartlove, Commanding Officer of the UNIMAK, during a trip the mayor took to Miami aboard the Coast Guard Reserve vessel. Commander Hartlove also received a copy of a resolution from Mayor Gauvry which proclaimed the Coast Guard Officer as an honorary citizen of the Nation's Oldest Seashore Resort.



"OUTSTANDING COAST GUARD ENLISTED RESERVIST" MAKES CHIEF

Chief Radioman MacIndoe has advanced from the bottom of the enlisted ladder to Chief in exactly ten years. On 1 January 1967, Petty Officer Walter MacIndoe was promoted to Chief Radioman (Provisional). After enlisting in the Coast Guard Reserve and advancing to Seaman Apprentice in 1957, Chief MacIndoe was transferred to his present unit (ORTUR 11-84731) as a Seaman in the early part of 1959. Later advancements included RM3 on 1 August 1959 and RM2 on 1 November 1961. Chief MacIndoe was named "Outstanding Coast Guard Enlisted Reservist" by ROA Chapter 43 and presented the appropriate award on 31 May 1963. He was

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tronic search of the area. Three hours and twenty-three minutes after receiving the first word of the disaster, Quartermaster First Class T. J. Reed of Cape May Court House, New Jersey, sighted a red-orange object among the white-capped waves. Changing course to investigate, the orange object was found to be a life jacket worn by one of the two fishermen clinging to a wooden ice chest which, with an overturned dingy, were all that remained of the fishing vessel "Bunkie III."

After transporting the two fishermen to Marathon, Florida, from where they had departed the day before, the UNIMAK returned to her assigned patrol area where all was quiet for a few days until the 15th of March when a third call for assistance was received. Again, a group of refugees had escaped Cuba and assistance was needed to transport this group of eight men and four women to Key West. The UNIMAK rescued the twelve from an island and carried them to Key West on 16th of March, the same day on which call number four was issued for the UNIMAK's help. This call also pertained to the rescue of Cuban refugees; a group of six men and one small dog. This group made their escape in a small sail boat that brought them to safety aboard the UNIMAK, which then carried the group to Miami on the last day of its Florida Straits patrol.

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awarded the Coast Guard Meritorious Service Ribbon on 1 February 1963, and subsequently advanced to RM1 in August 1964 and RMC(P) in January 1967.

MANY SENIOR ACTIVE DUTY RESERVE OFFICERS RECEIVE ORDERS

Heading the list of active duty Reserve officers being transferred this summer is CAPT H. R. Cotton presently serving as Deputy Chief, Office of Reserve at Headquarters. CAPT Cotton's new assignment is to be Chief, Reserve Division in the Seventh Coast Guard District.

CAPT G. I. Garner who is now Chief, Reserve Division in the Third Coast Guard District, will report to Headquarters as the new Deputy Chief, Office of Reserve.

The Eleventh Coast Guard District is to get a new Chief, Reserve Division. CAPT Van Dyck Hubbard, now serving in the same capacity in the Seventh Coast Guard District will relieve CDR G. S. Bridgham. CDR Bridgham will be reporting to the Fifth Coast Guard District as Chief, Intelligence and Law Enforcement Branch.

The present Commanding Officer of the CGC INGHAM (WHEC-35), CAPT H. F. Lynch will be reporting to the Third Coast Guard District as Chief, Reserve Division, relieving CAPT Garner.

CAPT D. Gershowitz will report to the Ninth Coast Guard District to be Chief, Reserve Division. CAPT Gershowitz, who is presently in the Fourteenth Coast Guard District as Chief, Reserve Division and Director of Auxiliary, will be relieved by CDR J. A. King.

All of the transfers will be accomplished during the coming summer.



Walter MacIndoe of ORTUR 11-84731 is congratulated on his advancement to Chief Radioman at United States Coast Guard Base—Terminal Island, San Pedro, California.